

DURHAM COUNTY
JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

August 26th, 2009
Note Taker: Celia Jefferson

Members Present

Thomas MacRae
Delphine Sellars
Keith Howard
Fungai Bennett
Gayle Harris
Brenda Howerton
Rev. Johnnie Foster
Pauletta B. Bracy
Karen K. Thompson
Carolyn A. Nichols
Herman Scott
Angela Nunn
Donald W. Pinchback
Anna Lee Mosley
David Addison
Arnold Dennis

Excused Absences

Julie Linehan
William Marsh
Rhonda Parker

Absent

Nathan Curry

Others Present

William Henderson
Jennifer McRant
Renolda Herring
Katie Tise
Donna Rewalt
Nicole Rider
Kedrick Lowery
Cindy C. Holmes

Welcome, Announcements and Community Concerns

Angela Nunn, Chair called the meeting to order at 4:10pm and opened with welcoming everyone and asking all to introduce themselves and share community concerns and announcements.

Cindy Holmes, JCPC Area Consultant informed the council that FY 2008-2009 Final Accounting Forms have not been generated. When the forms are generated, the due dates will also change.

Cindy stated that an Executive Order from the Governor states that we must reduce allocations to the counties JCPC Programming from the department by 5%. Cindy stated that it was smart of the Durham's JCPC to reserve unallocated funds just in case more reductions should occur. Unallocated funds can be held off until December 30th. Durham and most counties applied for the Community-Based Youth Gang Violence Prevention Grant. Award decisions are getting close, but if there is not a State budget, the funds cannot be released. Cindy stated that it is critically important that JCPC express their needs to their legislators.

Cindy also informed the council to mark their calendar for a meet and greet forum with Secretary Linda Hayes, of the Department of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Department. The forum will be held on **Tuesday, September 8, 2009 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Garner - 503 Lakeside Drive. Please see an email from Celia with directions and details of the forum.**

Karen Thompson thanked Cindy for all her help and patients during the past Fiscal Year on working with us and twenty two other counties.

Angela informed the council that JCPC will hold an orientation/training session to discuss organizations responsibilities and the liabilities of board of directors and executive director, treasurer, and program director of each program receiving NC DJJDP/JCPC public funds. The session will be held from 10:30am until 1pm at the

CJRC located at 326 East Main St. downtown Durham. Celia will send a letter out to all mentioned within the paragraph. All council members are invited to attend.

Arnold Dennis reminded the council members of the email that had been sent to each of them regarding **Dwayne Betts** Juvenile Ex-Offender, Author, Writer, Poet

To Speak on – “Juvenile Offenders in Adult Prisons: How They Survive”

Date: August 27, 2009

Time: 1:00PM—2:30PM

Place: NCCU School of Law

- Great Hall

Project B.U.I.L.D.

Kedrick Lowery, of the Project B.U.I.L.D. program (gang initiative) informed the council of the many referrals that are coming in. Kedrick has an increased amount of individuals awaiting entrance into the program. In order to enter and be a part, their file must go before the Intervention Team. In order to serve those awaiting services, the Intervention Team will meet additional times the next two months. Kedrick has increased the meeting to three meetings monthly through November. Delphine stated that the majority of the referrals are coming from the court system and that word of mouth has served the program well. She also stated that an increase of referrals is expected and they will look at the needs as the program grows.

Steps Forward

Donna Rewalt, NC Cooperative Extension Strengthening and Family Coordinator shared the outcomes of the Collaboration Event hosted by Durham System of Care Community Collaborative, Durham County Cooperative Extension and the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council co-sponsored ***Steps Forward*** to bring together agencies to collaborate around key issues affecting youth in the Durham Community. Two primary goals of the event were to:

1. Provide an opportunity for collaboration and networking among individuals/agencies.
2. Determine service gaps for youth in five key areas.
 - ❖ Adolescent Health
 - ❖ Community-Based Education Resources
 - ❖ Housing
 - ❖ Safety & Crime Prevention
 - ❖ Substance Abuse

For more details see attached report that was distributed at the meeting.

JCPC Administrative changes

The office of the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council was moved to the Criminal Justice Resource Center (CJRC), effective July 1st under the managerial leadership of Gudrun Parmer, Director. Angela informed the council of new administrative changes as follows: Celia will have more of a dominant role, she will take the lead role in the monitoring process and visit JCPC program providers every quarter and report back to the board. Seasoned council members will be assigned to newly appointed council members to shadow. Each council member will be assigned to a program provider and visit each quarter. The council members were in favor of changes.

It also had been suggested that dinners at the meeting be reduced to lighter refreshments. The council members decided that the time allotted for dinner motivated members to attend and give them a time to network with each other and should continue as normal. Angela asked all council members to respond to the rsvp for dinner that is sent out for each meeting to cut down on any waste.

JCPC Sub Committees

Angela informed the council of new chairs of the following JCPC sub committees:

Keith Howard	Monitoring Committee
Karen Thompson	Funding Committee
Donald Pinchback	Risks and Needs Assessment Committee
Anna Mosley	Publicity Committee

Angela asked that all council members choose a committee to get involved in. If you know which one you would like to participate in, please let the chair or the coordinator know.

Minutes

Motion: Angela motioned that minutes from June 24th be accepted as presented.

Action: Seconded and Approved.

Durham At Risk Youth Collaborative

Donnie Phillips informed the council that he starting working in July with the Durham At Risk Youth Collaborative to help determine the best way to efficiently and steadfastly move forward to develop three separate sub-committees to address Prevention, Intervention, and Suppression. The Durham At Risk Youth Collaborative, lead by their Executive Director was chosen to convene the Prevention Team and to prioritize the top 5 of the 45 recommendations that were listed in the Comprehensive Gang Assessment conducted in Durham in 2007. (See hand out).

Plans are in the process of being developed on how to create an inventory of programs that service youth involved in gangs and a strategy will be developed to determine gaps. Donnie stated that ages 16-25 is a significant gap. When the sub-committees meetings begin, an email will be sent to Celia to forward on to the council. Donnie asked that the council members review handouts that he distributed for more details and decide what interest they have as a group or an individual.

Arnold stated that this is an opportunity to start communicating a network of services within the community.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6pm.

